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THRILLING EXPERIENCE

A Party of Tourists Imprisoned Ten Days in a Cave.

ARE TAKEN OUT BY A BRAVE DIVER

Seven Tourists on an Exploring Expedition Caught by a Sudden Rise of Water Which Blocked the Stalactite Cavern at Souraich—Obstructions Blown Away with Dynamite—Seven Persons Found by a Diver—How They Endured Their Long Imprisonment.

GRATE, Austria, May 7.—The party of tourists who have been imprisoned in the stalactite cavern at Souraich since Saturday, April 27, owing to a sudden rise in the water, which blocked the passage into the cave with timber and boulders. The diver found all seven of the tourists alive. It was at first believed that eight persons were imprisoned, but this turned out to be a mistake. All were extricated from their perilous position at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

The news that the tourists were still alive was received with great rejoicing by the crowds of people who had gathered about the cavern in order to watch the work. The engineers, who have been at work day and night ever since they were ordered to the spot when the local authorities announced their inability to force an entrance into the cave, have had a very difficult task in making an opening. The entrance was blocked by timber and huge boulders buried beneath a mass of smaller flood debris.

CLEARED WITH DYNAMITE.
After the matter had been investigated, it was found that it was necessary to use dynamite in order to clear away the obstructions which prevented the entrance of a diver into the cavern. With the utmost care the engineers went to work and succeeded in exploding several charges, which disturbed the boulders and removed the obstruction. The engineers were compelled to work slowly and with the utmost caution, as it was feared that a too severe explosion might do more harm than good, and perhaps bury the imprisoned persons beneath tons of rock.

This morning several additional charges were exploded, and the trees and rocks about the entrance to the cave were believed to have been removed sufficiently to enable a diver to descend with some chances of entering the cave. When the trees were hauled away and all was believed to be clear, the diver Fischer made another and this time successful descent to the mouth of the cave. He was absent a long time. The people generally believed that he would return with the report that all the tourists were dead. Consequently there was great enthusiasm when he reappeared and informed the crowds that he had found all the tourists alive.

Fischer told the engineers that although the tourists were alive, they appeared like persons half-dead, and that they had been subjected to all kinds of hardships. They had almost died of hunger, and when they had been rescued, they were so weak that they could not move. The engineers then decided to keep him informed of the progress of the work. He was notified of the safety of the tourists immediately after Fischer made his report, and in reply, the emperor telegraphed his satisfaction at hearing that the rescue had been successfully accomplished.

THE ARMIES MAY FIGHT.

Prospects of a Scrap Between Two Factions of the Commonwealth.
VALPARAISO, Ind., May 7.—Randall's army left this city this morning in two divisions, both headed for Westville, twelve miles east, and each division striving to get there first to secure the provisions donated by the Westville citizens.

OPERATORS ARE ORGANIZED.

Pittsburg Coal Men Will Act in Unison at Cleveland.

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PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—The supreme court today in an opinion by Justice Williams decided that there is no legislation in Pennsylvania authorizing the construction of an elevated railroad. The decision rules that the law regarding railroad charters is not such as one as given to an "L" road that right of eminent domain by which it can occupy streets already occupied by passenger railways.

The case upon which the decision was rendered was that of Charles W. Potts against the Quaker City Elevated Railroad company, of Philadelphia. The opinion affirms the judgment of the Philadelphia court of common pleas and reverses that rendered by the Dauphin county court in the Philadelphia and Northwestern Elevated railroad case.

TROUBLE WITH THE HOBOS.

Washington Authorities Are Anxious for the Early Departure of the Coxey Army.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7.—The Washington News this evening says: It is about settled that the handful of idle men now in camp here must be scattered or there will be trouble later. The handful is growing rapidly. No other "army" has joined the Coxey band now here, but it has been receiving reinforcements until the 320 men Coxey had on Tuesday last was 520 this morning, and by tomorrow night will be fully 700.

Tramps are coming into the city by twos and threes at a great rate. The policemen on suburban posts report almost hourly of the passing of a crowd of little knots of genuine hobos, who are inquiring for Coxey's army.

Three of General Galt's men got here from Pittsburgh this morning and went straight to the white house. They demanded admittance, but as their bearing and appearance so clearly betokened their bad character they were refused, and made to go away. They said their "army" would be here in a few days. They have come to work slowly and with the utmost caution, as it was feared that a too severe explosion might do more harm than good, and perhaps bury the imprisoned persons beneath tons of rock.

The commissioners realize the necessity of doing something. Various schemes were taken under consideration: the best and most feasible being to have the camp condemned at once by the health officers. This will drive the crowd out of the camp. If they will not go, the police will remove them. They will not be allowed to put up another camp in the district. Orders will be given to the police to strictly enforce the vagrancy laws, and any one found begging will be arrested and sent to the workhouse.

A RESPECTABLE FRAUD.

One of St. Joseph's Leading Business Men a Counterfeiter.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 7.—For months past this city has been flooded with counterfeit dollars and half dollars. Through pure accident R. G. Smith, a well known citizen, was arrested last night and locked up on the charge of circulating the spurious coin.

When arrested he had a large amount of the stuff in his possession, and when confronted with facts made a full confession and gave away his partner in crime. It is expected that a number of arrests will be made today.

SHE FLEECED LANDLORDS.

A Woman of Many Allures Taken to Boston for Sentence.

BOSTON, May 7.—Mrs. Jesse McKenzie, alias Stuart, alias Norman, notorious for defrauding hotels, was brought here this morning from New York.

She forfeited her bonds when arrested in Boston for defrauding the United States hotel. Unless she makes good the amount of her bonds she will be brought into court for sentence.

TORPEDO BOAT ERICSSON.

Expected to Exceed Twenty-Four Knots at Her Trial on Saturday.

DENVER, May 7.—The launching of the torpedo boat Ericsson has been fixed for next Saturday. The cigar shaped vessel will be delivered at Pensacola harbor, where she will make her trial trip.

The speed required is twenty-four knots an hour, which is exceeded by no torpedo boat afloat.

CONDENSED STATE NEWS.

Large quantities of West Virginia coal are now shipped into Pennsylvania.

The war on slot machines has reached Shamokin, where 100 have been shut up.

A count of the school children shows that Pittsburg's population is not increasing.

Arrest of Counterfeiter Munchausen at Fremont, O., has uncovered a gang that manufactures coin on a Lake Erie island.

Incurably ill from pneumonia, T. W. Robertson, son of the author of "Caste," and an actor of repute, is confined in a New York asylum.

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Crowds of strikers are assembled at the Moyer plant and their aim is to hold the situation firm as they fear the men would return to work if they should leave.

It has been given out that Sheriff Wilhelm, of Fayette county, will go to Moyer and endeavor to disperse the crowd there assembled; also to serve notices of injunction upon Michael Barrett, president of the United Mine workers, and other labor leaders who are active in the field, restraining them from trespassing upon any property owned by the Rainsy Coke company.

The strikers are acting peacefully and their leaders are impressing upon them at every meeting to go quietly to their homes and raise no disturbances and keep away from saloons.

STRICKEN BEGINNING BREAD.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 7.—During the present week a united effort to break the big strike will be made by the mine operators of this city by bringing back and putting to work at the reduced scale, refused by miners, negroes who worked last summer in Kansas mines.

Upwards of a hundred negro miners have been brought to Birmingham, and more will arrive today. These negroes will work under a heavy guard of deputy sheriffs.

Among the striking miners a great amount of suffering exists, and many families are actually starving for want of subsistence. Appeals have been made by the executive council to all the trades unions of Alabama for help. Hundreds are being fed on the streets here every day.

Several small Alabama towns are in darkness for want of coal to operate electric plants, two of the Siga Iron and Steel company's blast furnaces have been blown out, and several more are likely to be banked this week.

WAGES AT FULLMAN.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Unless the wage scale of last year is restored the men in the Pullman car shops may strike.

A mass meeting of employees was held in Kensington last night, at which a committee was appointed to confer with the officials of the company today.

The petition will not contain any threat but the sentiment is almost unanimous to quit work in case the company refuses to raise wages.

PANA, Ill., May 7.—There were more coal miners at work today than there have been since the trouble began. The workers were met Saturday evening by committees of strikers and told that they would not be permitted to go to work today. But no effort was made today to prevent them.

The strikers claim that 1,500 men will be here tonight and prevent work tomorrow.

ROLLING MILLS SHUT DOWN.

KNOXVILLE, May 7.—The first effect of the miners' strike has been felt here. The Knoxville rolling mills have posted a notice saying that they were compelled to shut down, owing to their inability to secure coal.

This one of the largest iron mills in the south. Probably other manufacturing industries will be forced to shut down.

THE COLUMBIAN MEETING.

COLUMBIA, May 7.—John McBride today telegraphed Calvin Morris, of Cleveland, who asked for information, to provide for at least 1,000 operators, miners and visitors at the Cleveland meeting to settle the mining question. This will be the largest meeting of the kind ever held in this country.

SUICIDE BY SHOOTING.

Dr. William Kniffen Ends His Life and Recalls Another Tragedy.

TRENTON, N. J., May 7.—William Kniffen, aged 67 years, committed suicide last night by shooting himself in the temple with a revolver. His body was found this morning in a carriage in a wagon shed near his home.

He was the father of Dr. A. S. Kniffen, whose wife Myra was found chloroformed to death four years ago, causing a great sensation and the mystery of which was never cleared up.

INSECT PESTS SWARMING.

Threaten to Destroy the Prospects of an Extraordinary Fruit Yield.

ALBION, N. Y., May 7.—Fruit trees of all kinds are blossoming full, but destructive insects are already at work. Farmers generally are spraying their trees in the hope of destroying the insects, which now stand between them and an extraordinary fruit year.

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